



# FREEDOM WATCH



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## News briefs

(Compiled from  
CNN.com)

### Secret base could be key in Iraq conflict

**DOHA, Qatar**—In Qatar is an air base that could become a nerve center for strikes on Iraq. For the moment, the al Udeid Air Base will be the site of Operation Internal Look, a military exercise involving between 600 and 1,000 personnel from U.S. Central Command. The United States' access to military bases in Qatar is reportedly unfettered. This means that should the U.S. decide to go it alone in a military strike against Iraq that will be acceptable with Qatar's sheik. Ease of access and a runway measuring more than 12,000 feet helps make al Udeid Air Base the region's busiest aviation gas station, providing fuel for thirsty fighter planes still patrolling the skies over Afghanistan.

### Al Qaeda: 'Gift' of terror on its way

**WASHINGTON** — The end of Ramadan has stirred renewed con-

## Bush: Don't trust Saddam

By Kathleen T. Rhem  
*American Forces  
Press Service*

**WASHINGTON**—After 11 years of deceit and defiance, the world shouldn't trust Saddam Hussein now just because he appears to have cooperated with U.N. inspectors for five days, President Bush said yesterday.

"This isn't about inspectors," Bush said at the White House. "The issue is whether Saddam Hussein will disarm. Will he disarm in the name of peace?"

U.N. weapons inspectors have been operating in Iraq for five days without significant interference from Hussein's government. Bush noted this doesn't mean Hussein is fully complying with U.N. Security

Council Resolution 1441, which orders full disarmament.

The president pointed out that Iraq still routinely fires on Coalition pilots patrolling no-fly zones in the country's north and south. "Anybody who shoots at U.S. airplanes or British airplanes is not somebody who looks like he's interested in complying with disarmament," Bush said of Hussein.

Iraq has until Dec. 8 to fully declare all weapons of mass destruction and disclose equipment and plans for producing such weapons. The Iraqi government has indicated it would do so by Dec. 7.



Photo by Spc. Erica Leigh Foley

### Nose for danger

Staff Sgt. Michael Sytsma, explosive detector dog handler with the Bagram Air Base Provost Marshal's Office, and his dog, Rico, check vehicles coming onto the base for explosives.

## 6th Battalion ANA begins training at KMTC

Story & photo by Staff Sgt.  
Rhonda M. Lawson  
*28th Public Affairs Detachment*

**KABUL, Afghanistan**—A record-setting day wound up being just the jumpstart the 6<sup>th</sup> Battalion of the Afghan National Army needed to finally begin training.

After months of waiting, the battalion inprocessed more than 270 recruits who showed up at the Kabul Military Training Center on the morn-

ing of Nov. 25.

The group was the largest ever to sign up for the ANA at one time, according to Sgt. Maj. Dan, Operations sergeant major, who is only identified by his rank and first name for security reasons.

Mostly consisting of Pashtun and Tajik ethnicity, the recruits ranged in age from their late teens to early 40s.

Inprocessing took most of the day. The recruits were broken into groups and taken into the center where they

were interviewed, fingerprinted and given medical evaluations. During this process, Dan said they tried to emphasize to the group the reality of being a member of the ANA.

"They're told that they're joining the Afghan National Army as a soldier, not as an officer or NCO," he said. "In their local command, they might have been one of those items, but the (Ministry of Defense) actually picks the of-

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ficer staff for each BANA. If they don't like that, they're given a chance to leave."

Dan added that he's not sure why so many people showed up in one day, but he credits much of it to the Afghan government.

"The Karzai government is definitely putting pressure on the Ministry of Defense to get a standing army," he said. "The Afghans see the standing army as one of the vital keys to stability toward the Afghan transitional government of President Karzai."

The group, coupled with a smaller group that inprocessed three weeks prior, put the 6<sup>th</sup> BANA over the top as the largest battalion in the ANA with more than 700 soldiers. Before, the BANA was sitting at less than 300 soldiers, forcing them to put off training until the numbers increased.

With the added troops, soldiers from the French army, which trains all even-numbered BANAs, began training almost immediately after they were outfitted. The team, part of the 16<sup>th</sup> Battalion de Chasseurs, of the French 2<sup>nd</sup> Armored Brigade, had been waiting nearly two weeks to get to work.

The 6<sup>th</sup> BANA just completed its first week of training, which included general information, marching and weapons familiarization.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Rhonda M. Lawson

**Staff Sgt. Dean, of the 5th Battalion, 19th Special Forces Group aid station at the Kabul Military Training Center, collects a blood sample from a 6th Battalion of the Afghan National Army enlistee.**

"The training is divided into two parts," explained Maj. Patrick Leurs, the training team's executive officer.

"The first will last five weeks (and includes) general individual training, and the second phase is certainly the most important because it will train the platoons and companies in their specialties."

Leurs added that an important aspect of their training is incorporating sports because it helps the soldiers to work better as a team.

"It is a tradition for the French to incorporate

sports in all the training," he said.

The fact that the team is now training the ANA's largest battalion hasn't hampered any efforts for the French. Leurs explained that they assessed the level of training by the soldiers' experience, many of whom had prior military training.

"The soldiers want to learn, they want to be trained, they are very motivated to receive information," Leurs said. "They tell us that they have recognition for the French help we provide to their future Army."

However, he said the challenge for the instructors is to slow down the training rhythm to break through the language barrier. All classes are taught with the help of interpreters, who translate the lessons into Dari and Pashtun.

"We are careful of differences between the soldiers who speak Pashtun because we do want to isolate them," Leurs said. "In all platoons, we have some soldiers who are able to translate from Dari to Pashtun."

He added that they also teach with a hands-

on technique to help the soldiers catch on faster.

"We minimize theory and increase practice," Leurs said. "Practice is more efficient above all with the soldiers who do not know how to write."

The center is now preparing to begin inprocessing for the 7<sup>th</sup> BANA.

"They don't start their training for almost a month or more, but the government is afraid that if we're not inprocessing these soldiers," Dan said, "that they're going to disappear and they're not going to come back."

## **Bagram Air Base MWR movies**

The Bagram Air Base Morale, Welfare and Recreation staff present "The Brothers" tonight at 1530Z at the MWR building. Tomorrow's movie will be "Ice Age," showing at the same time.



## *Turk minister urges peaceful Iraq solution; Wolfowitz says Allied help is best*

By Gerry J. Gilmore  
*American Forces  
Press Service*

**ANKARA, Turkey** — Turkish Foreign Minister Yasar Yakis pledged support Tuesday for U.S. and coalition efforts to separate Iraq from its weapons of mass destruction, but urged that all peaceful means be tried first before war.

Yakis, flanked by British Foreign Secretary Jack Straw, spoke to reporters at his official residence here. He was involved in Tuesday talks with U.S. Deputy Defense Secretary Paul D. Wolfowitz, in town to discuss Iraq and other issues with Turkish leaders.

Acknowledging that coalition military force might be necessary ultimately, he noted his government's priority is that "no stone should be left unturned" in searching for a peaceful resolution concerning Iraq's weapons arsenal.

If Hussein doesn't comply with U.N. Security Council Resolution 1441, he said, then a martial solution may be necessary. "If it comes to that, then of course we'll cooperate with the United States, because it's a big ally and we have excellent relations with the United States," he added.

Yakis implied Turkey could allow U.S. and coalition aircraft use of his country's airspace in the event of war with Iraq and provide use of certain military bases and facilities. Tur-

key already permits coalition use of its Incirlik Air Base for Northern No-fly Zone enforcement patrols over Iraq.

The Turkish foreign minister seemed less certain about the presence of large numbers of U.S. ground troops in his country, explaining that Turks might find that hard to accept. Nonetheless, Yakis acknowledged that Turkish and U.S. authorities have consulted on the assumption that war against Iraq might eventually be necessary.

He noted his government's position that a second U.N. resolution be passed declaring hostilities against Hussein's regime if he doesn't comply with Resolution 1441. Yakis didn't project concern that the United States and Turkey disagree on the point — even staunch friends might not always completely agree on every topic, he said.

At a Tuesday press conference following a two-hour meeting with Turkish Prime Minister Abdulla Gul and other officials, Wolfowitz said the chances of a peaceful outcome are best "the more cooperation we have from our partners and allies — and Turkey is clearly one of our strongest partners and allies."

He termed the meeting "very constructive," and noted Turkish-American cooperation can be key to achieving that peaceful outcome. Further, he said, disarming Hussein would be a huge step toward achieving

regional peace and stability.

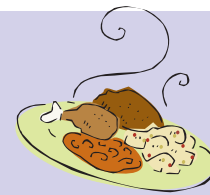
A new Turkish parliamentary government was elected Nov. 3, and Wolfowitz said he was heartened by Turkey's strong stance against Hussein's regime. The government, he said, "understands, fundamentally, what we're trying to get at in terms of presenting Saddam Hussein with a unified world that will allow us to have some chance of achieving the disarmament of Iraq by peaceful means."

Early signals sent by the new Turkish government, Wolfowitz noted, "are very positive for Turkey and for Turkey's relations with the West," including Europe and the United States.

Omer Celik, political adviser to Turkey's majority Justice and Development Party Chairman Egemen Bagis, noted in a separate interview with reporters traveling with Wolfowitz that the Iraqi people need to be freed from the yoke of Saddam's regime "and should be helped to get to a real democracy and Western standards."

If Saddam were deposed, Celik posited, democratic principles would have to be written into a new Iraqi constitution or otherwise, he emphasized, "There would be another dictator there."

Wolfowitz jetted from Ankara to Brussels, Belgium, yesterday for talks at NATO Headquarters and was slated to return to Washington yesterday evening.



## **DFAC hours**

### **Breakfast**

Bagram Viper City	0130Z to 0430Z
Bagram Hanger	0230Z to 0430Z
Bagram Dragon City	0130Z to 0430Z
Kabul	0200Z to 0330Z
Kandahar	0200Z to 0500Z
K2	0130Z to 0430Z

### **Lunch**

MREs for lunch

### **Dinner**

Bagram Viper City	1200Z to 1600Z
Bagram Hanger	1200Z to 1400Z
Bagram Dragon City	1230Z to 1630Z
Kabul	1230Z to 1415Z
Kandahar	1200Z to 1500Z
K2	1130Z to 1530Z

## **U.S. Army master sergeant promotion board**

The Army master sergeant promotion board will convene Feb. 4. Eligibility criteria for promotion consideration to master sergeant is as follows:

❖ All sergeants first class with a date of rank of Feb. 3, 2001 and earlier and with a basic Army service date between Feb. 3, 1980 and Feb. 3, 1995 (both dates inclusive).

❖ Primary zone date of rank is July 31, 1999 and earlier. Secondary zone is Aug. 1, 1999 through Feb. 3, 2001.

❖ Soldiers holding a primary military occupational specialty that is affected by Stop-Loss will be eligible for promotion provided their adjusted expiration in term of serve date is Feb. 4, 2003 or later.

All eligible may update their Enlisted Records Brief's and 2-1's at Company C (Forward), 18th Personnel Support Battalion, second floor of Motel 6 on Bagram Air Base or servicing Personnel Services Detachment prior to Dec. 31.

Reference for this board is Military Personnel Message #02-260.

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# FREEDOM'S VOICES

## Slocum needs a new job, I don't?

### Bottom line

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I'm in trouble.

Quick! Hand over the classifieds section so I can start looking for another job.

Hurry! It might be too late tomorrow!

Don't believe me? Just look at what happened to Richard Copeland Slocum two days after speaking at the funeral of one of his players. He got canned. He got the boot. He got shoved out.

Why did he get fired?

Well, for the past three seasons his Texas A&M Aggies won only 21 of 36 games, while his arch-rival Texas Longhorns have re-emerged as national title contenders.

Isn't that enough?

During the same time span, I've joined the United States Army as a journalist, written more than 140 articles, and won the

top award for sports writing due to a single story I wrote.

One out of 140!

And I still have a job?

Slocum never had a losing record in his 14-year tenure; his teams were virtually unbeatable at Kyle Field and won four conference championships, including the 1998 Big XII title.

Meanwhile, I was sent to Fort Meade, Md., where I failed six assignments, including the final, misplaced an expensive camera and ruined a computer in the library.

And they still pay me every two weeks?

Slocum compiled a sparkling 123-47 (.721) record, the best mark in the school's history. Impressive, if you think back on all of the coaches who've been at College Station: Dana X. Bible, Bear Bryant, Gene Stallings and Jackie Sherrill. He's also ranks sixth among active coaches with his winning percentage.

From 1991 to 1994, Slocum's teams went 42-5-2, including a 10-0-1 campaign in 1994.

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## STREET TALK

What is your favorite Christmas carol and why?



"*Silent Night* because it reminds me of my California home."

**Pfc. Pierre Tanabe**  
1st Bn., 229th Aviation Regt.  
Fort Bragg, N.C.

"*Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer* because it teaches you about triumph."

**Spc. Jacob Meredith**  
1st Bn., 504th PIR  
Fort Bragg, N.C.



"*White Christmas* because I never saw snow until I joined the Army in 1977."

**Thomas Barnes**  
Brown & Root  
Killeen, Texas



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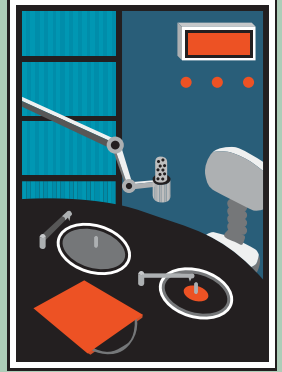


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## The gift of giving

An Afghan village elder accepts a humanitarian aid package from an 82nd Airborne Division soldier as part of a humanitarian aid effort. In addition to school supplies, the soldiers delivered numerous blankets as well as provided health care for the children.

## Armed Forces Network Radio Stations



National Press Radio  
**105.7FM**

Power Rock (music & news)  
**107.5FM**

AFN Europe (news, talk radio & music)  
**103.1FM**

### JOB, from Page A4

But the same people, who patted him on the back a few months ago, were quick to knife him in the back after a disappointing 6-6 finish this year, including a 50-20 thrashing by the Longhorns.

Disappointing?!

While R.C. was busy winning games, I was transferred to Fort Lewis, Wash., where I've missed deadlines numerous times, lost 20 rechargeable batteries, taken horrible pictures, spilled a soft drink on a computer, shown up late for formations, been yelled at by my commander and non-commissioned officer in charge and sent to Afghanistan.

And I'm still em-

ployed by Uncle Sam?

Now, Slocum says he will stay on in an advisory role, but we know he wishes he still could coach his Aggies. He had 13 commitments from players he'd actively recruited and was ranked third for the upcoming class.

His replacement (Alabama's Dennis Franchione) will reap the benefits for him.

However, if the Aggies are invited to play in a bowl game, Slocum will coach one last time.

Me?

I'm still sifting through the classifieds because if a successful man, who was once considered irreplaceable, can be shown the exit, then ...

GULP!

I'm in serious trouble.

### BRIEFS, from Page A1

cerns over the threat of a terrorist attack against U.S. citizens and the nation's allies. Earlier this week, an al Qaeda statement posted to the Internet threatened a strike to coincide with the end of the Muslim holy season — which ends today. The statement said, "You did not understand the reasons for the raids of Washington and New York. Oh American people, you are the victim of your leaders, but you are also a partner in the war on us. The gift for the holiday is on its way." U.S. intelligence officials said they were "mindful" of such threats and "not dismissive" of them.

### Survey of 44 nations shows growing discontent over U.S.

WASHINGTON — The Pew Research Center conducted the survey of more than 38,000 people in 44 countries, called "What the World Thinks in 2002." The survey found that since 2000, favorable ratings for the United States have fallen in 20 of the 27 countries for which the previous data was

available. But in 17 of those 20 countries, a majority of people still viewed the U.S. favorably. The survey highlighted conflicting attitudes about the U.S. People around the world said they embrace American culture but decried U.S. influence on their societies. American unilateralism was criticized, though the U.S.-led war on terrorism enjoyed wide support outside the Muslim world

### Winter comes early to Carolinas

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — An unseasonably early winter storm bore down on the Carolinas late Wednesday, bringing with it ice, freezing rain and heavy snow. The storm already wreaked havoc from the Oklahoma panhandle to the mountains of Virginia and Tennessee. Power was cut to thousands in North Carolina, and utilities in other states like Kentucky and Virginia were still waiting for the worst to come. Temperatures plummeted to freezing and below as rain turned to sleet and ice mixed with snow from the North Carolina mountains to Charlotte.



# ENTERTAINMENT

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## Music Briefs

(Compiled from MTV.com)

### Country outsells New Tupac

There's no other way for Shania Twain's *Up!* to go but down — just not yet. For a second week, Twain's studio album tops the *Billboard* 200 albums chart, moving more than 625,000 copies. Her album has a two-week sales total of more than 1.5 million. Tim McGraw's *Tim McGraw & the Dancehall Doctors* is in the #2 slot. The album, which features a cover of Elton John's "Tiny Dancer," sold more than 601,000 copies in its first week. The "8 Mile" soundtrack, at #3, sold more than 393,000 copies to push its five-week total past 2.2 million. *Now That's What I Call Music Vol. 11*, featuring Nelly, Kylie Minogue and Shakira, slips two spots to #4 after selling more than 375,000 copies in its second week. The double album *Better Dayz*, which includes contributions from Nas, Trick Daddy and Mya, among others, sold more than 366,000 copies to take the #5 slot.

## Air Force accepts invite to SF Bowl

By John Van Winkle  
*Air Force Academy  
Public Affairs*

**U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY**, Colo. — The Air Force Academy accepted on Monday a bid to play in the inaugural Diamond Walnut San Francisco Bowl.

"I'm thrilled to announce that the first team to ever be selected to play in a bowl game in San Francisco is the Air Force Academy," said Gary

Cavalli, San Francisco Bowl executive director. "We're delighted to have Air Force. It's a great honor for a first-year bowl to get a program like Air Force. They represent what is right in college football."

The bowl game is planned for Dec. 31, and the 8-4 Falcons will face an as-yet undetermined team.

"We don't know right yet who our opponent's going to be, but we know

they're going to come out of the Big East Conference," said Falcons head coach Fisher DeBerry. "It's a very, very historic and talented football conference with some great teams."

The exact matchup is dependent upon how the Bowl Championship Series invites shake out, added DeBerry. Five teams in the Big East Conference are bowl eligible. In order of conference standing, these are:

No. 1 Miami (11-0), No. 15 West Virginia (9-3), No. 25 Pittsburgh (8-4), No. 18 Virginia Tech (9-3) and Boston College (8-4).

The final BCS standings hit the streets Dec. 8, and the teams headed for the Fiesta, Sugar and Orange bowls will be announced then. After that, the remaining bowl invitations will be finalized.

While the Falcons await the announcement,

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## Waltrip donates hood to Pentagon Phoenix project

Story & photo by Sgt. 1st Class Doug Sample  
*American Forces Press Service*

**WASHINGTON** — On the morning of Sept. 11, 2001, NASCAR Winston Cup and Busch Series driver Michael Waltrip remembers being on his tractor "just goofing off, digging dirt" at his home in North Carolina.

It was there that Waltrip got the news that terrorists had attacked the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. "I was in shock," he said. It was a day he says he'll never forget

— a day he says No one should forget. But he adds, "It's important to get things back to normal."

Today, before a gathering of hard-hat workers and NASCAR fans at a Pentagon structure that looks quite normal compared to Sept. 11, Waltrip made a gesture that will be a reminder of the attack to everyone who visits the Pentagon. Waltrip donated the hood of one of his racecars to the Pentagon Phoenix Project.

"It's a real honor for me to be

See **HOOD**, Page B4



Michael Waltrip, holding daughter Macy, looks on as Mike Colston, Phoenix Project manager, accepts his NASCAR hood for display.

## Murphy's Law: Combat Operations

- ❖ *Fortify your front; you'll get get your rear shot up.*
- ❖ *Weather ain't neutral.*
- ❖ *If you can't remember, the Claymore is pointed towards you.*
- ❖ *Air Defense motto: Shoot 'em down; sort 'em out on the ground.*



# Racing crossword

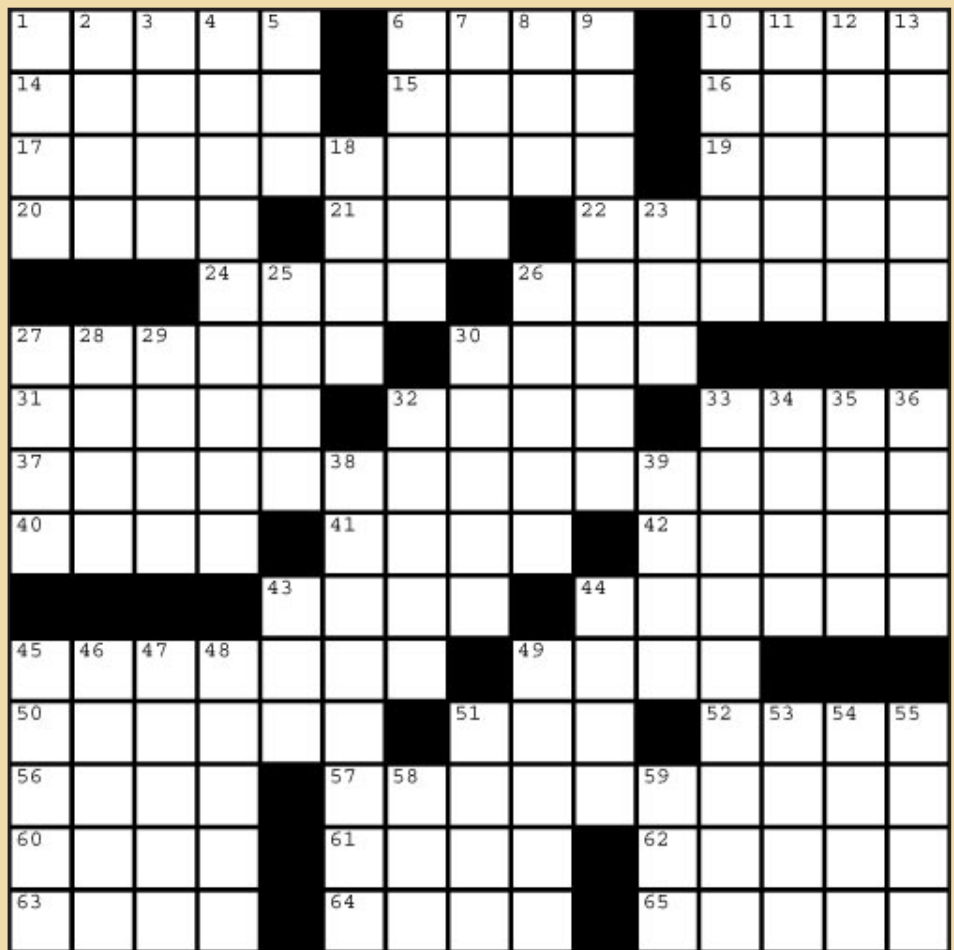
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## Across

- 1 Run \_\_\_ of the law
- 6 Deliver a tirade
- 10 "Queen \_\_\_ Day"
- 14 Capital on the Aar
- 15 HOMES part
- 16 Got 100 on
- 17 Cary Grant, often
- 19 Steak order
- 20 Model Macpherson
- 21 Fleur-de-\_\_\_
- 22 Like many modern connections
- 24 Perlman of "Cheers"
- 26 Necklace add-on
- 27 The \_\_\_ (classic Reagan role)
- 30 In need of liniment
- 31 Hoopster Shaq
- 32 Shopaholic's delight
- 33 Poet Teasdale
- 37 Low-growing shrub
- 40 Hung on to
- 41 Within earshot
- 42 Put one's two cents in
- 43 Versatile trucks, for short
- 44 One-named folk singer
- 45 Hood with an oily hairdo
- 49 Marina walkway
- 50 It'll curl your hair
- 51 Diminutive, in Dogpatch
- 52 LPGA star \_\_\_ Pak
- 56 "But \_\_\_ art?"
- 57 All settled up
- 60 Evening, on marquees
- 61 Belt one out
- 62 i.e., for long
- 63 "In the headlights" critter
- 64 Earl Grey and others
- 65 Sauce with basil

## Down

- 1 Up to the task
- 2 Have a hunch



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|----|-----------------------------|----|-------------------------|
| 3  | Face-to-face test           | 32 | Villainous look         |
| 4  | Overworked partner?         | 33 | Take the place of       |
| 5  | Hilo garland                | 34 | Plugging away           |
| 6  | Aqua ___ (gold dissolver)   | 35 | Litter's littlest       |
| 7  | Treaty subject              | 36 | On the briny            |
| 8  | Long or Peeples             | 38 | Investor's concern      |
| 9  | Not so tough                | 39 | Be an omen of           |
| 10 | Capacitance unit            | 43 | Play for a sucker       |
| 11 | Florida citrus city         | 44 | Portraitist's purchase  |
| 12 | Any "Seinfeld" episode, now | 45 | Tedious routine         |
| 13 | Highly skilled              | 46 | First name in TV talk   |
| 18 | N.Y. Met, e.g.              | 47 | Upper crust             |
| 23 | Suffix with opal or glass   | 48 | Take up or let out      |
| 25 | War, to Sherman             | 49 | Unwelcome engine sounds |
| 26 | Like Peary's exploration    | 51 | Capp's ___ the Hyena    |
| 27 | Germanic invader of Rome    | 53 | Holiday preceders       |
| 28 | Concerning, in legalese     | 54 | Take a siesta           |
| 29 | Ring out                    | 55 | Division word           |
| 30 | "Beowulf," et al.           | 58 | Contend                 |
|    |                             | 59 | Bellboy's bonus         |

*Solutions will be posted in Saturday's Freedom Watch*

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# COALITION SPORTSZONE



## 2002 Bowl Championship Series

TEAM	TOTAL
1. Miami, Fla.	3.53
2. Ohio State	4.01
3. Georgia	9.03
4. USC	9.84
5. Iowa	10.55
6. Washington St.	17.67
7. Oklahoma	18.87
8. Kansas St.	20.05
9. Texas	20.28
10. Notre Dame	20.73
11. Michigan	24.08
12. Colorado	25.97
13. Penn St.	27.69
14. Florida St.	36.12
15. West Virginia	38.43

## Franchione accepts A&M post

Dennis Franchione has signed a deal to become the new coach at Texas A&M, **ESPN.com**'s Ivan Maisel has learned from a member of Franchione's staff.

The staff member said Alabama has canceled all its recruiting activities for the weekend.

Terms of the deal were not immediately known.

The move caps a tumultuous week at the university, beginning with Slocum's firing and the hiring of athletic director Bill Byrne on Tuesday.

School officials declined to comment on reports on the Web sites of the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*, *The Dallas Morning-News* and *Bryan-College Station Eagle* that Franchione had been hired.

The school scheduled a news conference for Friday morning.

## The Day in Sports

(Compiled from **ESPN.com**)

### Glavine leaves Atlanta, joins Mets

**NEW YORK** — For more than a decade, Tom Glavine helped put the Atlanta Braves on top.

Now, he'll try to topple them.

Glavine, the most sought-after pitcher on the free-agent market, reached agreement with the New York Mets on a three-year contract, his agent said Thursday night.

**ESPN's** Peter Gammons reports the deal was for \$35 million over three years. The Associated Press reported that the deal includes a vesting option which could make the deal worth \$42.5 million.

Glavine, 36, had spent his whole career with the Braves, winning two Cy Young Awards and posting five 20-win seasons.

But their NL East rivals, the Mets and Phillies, showed much more interest in the left-hander than his old team and it came down to a choice between New York and Philadelphia.

"It was one of the toughest decisions he's ever had to make," said his agent, Gregg Clifton. "There wasn't really one thing that decided it. He just made a decision."

"We have reached an understanding with Tom Glavine on the structure of a multiyear contract," Mets spokesman Jay Horwitz said. "The completion of an agreement is subject to Tom passing a physical examination on Monday, Dec. 9."

Braves president Stan Kasten, who was attending an Atlanta Hawks game at Philips Arena, declined comment. He said the team probably would hold a news conference Friday.

Glavine did not return a telephone message left at his home.

"Although we were disappointed to hear that he has opted to sign with the Mets, we appreciate the opportunity we had to try to sign him," Phillies general manager Ed Wade said in a statement.

"Tom was as professional and poised in our contract discussions as he is on the mound, and we wish him well ... against all our division opponents."

Fellow Cy Young winners Roger Clemens and Greg Maddux also are free agents, but have hardly generated interest so far in the offseason.

With Glavine in their rotation, the Braves won 11 straight division titles — and became the Mets' biggest nemesis.

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they are already back at practice.

"Right now we're practicing fundamental football," said DeBerry. We're going to block and tackle today and practice executing our kicking game. We're going to improve every area of our game

that we can."

The team practices until Tuesday, before taking a break for cadet finals. Practices resume Dec. 14, 15 and 17 to 19, before the cadets' Christmas break begins. Kick-off for the bowl game is 7:30 p.m. PST, and the game will be televised by **ESPN2**.



**HOOD**, from Page B1

here, and I just want to say thanks to everyone that pitched in and made the Phoenix Project what it is. It symbolizes the resiliency of the American spirit," Waltrip said.

The hood, bearing the Phoenix Project logo, was on the Chevy Monte Carlo that Waltrip drove to eighth place at the Richmond International Raceway Sept. 6, 2002, a few days prior to the one-

year anniversary of the attack. The hood will be part of a permanent display at the West entrance of the building, the attack site.

"I'm glad that I've had the chance to become associated in some way, to have the Phoenix Project logo on my car has meant a lot to me," Waltrip told the gathering. "Thanks for being a part of our team. It made us feel as though we were more than just a part of a race that day, but part of a bigger

cause."

Mike Colston, project manager, accepting the hood on behalf of the Phoenix Project, said the story behind the hood "mirrored the spirit that made the Phoenix Project such a resounding success."

He said NASCAR driver Brian Vickers had the logo on his hood but missed qualifying for the race by a few seconds. When Waltrip heard that, he asked to display the

hood in Vicker's place.

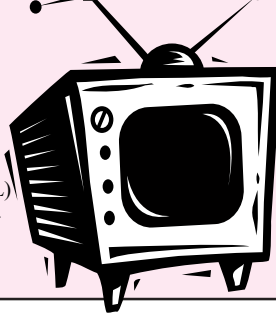
"It's that sense of teamwork and focus that I found to be so infectious following the terrorist attacks and is the reason we are standing here today," Colston said. "This hood will serve as a lasting reminder of the patriotism as well as the support people like Michael, Brian, and organizations like NASCAR, and the 3,000 or so people who helped to put the Pentagon back together."

## Local Armed Forces Network

### Saturday's schedule (AFN Sports)

- ❖ Target World Challenge (live), 0130(L)
- ❖ Cincinnati at East Carolina (live), 0430(L)
- ❖ Verno Phillips vs. Jose "Shibata" Flores (live), 0730(L)
- ❖ National Finals Rodeo (live), 0930(L)
- ❖ N.Y. Knicks at Boston Celtics, 1030(L), AFN-Pacific/Korea
- ❖ Dallas Mavericks at Los Angeles Lakers, 1230(L)
- ❖ Pittsburgh Penguins at New Jersey Devils, 1630(L)
- ❖ 103<sup>rd</sup> Army vs. Navy game (live), 2130(L), AFN-Pacific/Korea/Atlantic
- ❖ Virginia Tech. at Miami (live), 2230(L)

### TV sports



### Sunday's schedule (AFN Sports)

- ❖ Kansas at Oregon (live), 0100(L), AFN-Atlantic
- ❖ Washington State at UCLA (live), 0200(L)
- ❖ Arkansas vs. Georgia (live), 0330(L), AFN-Atlantic
- ❖ Oklahoma vs. Colorado (live), 0530(L), AFN-Pacific/Korea, 1630(L), AFN-Atlantic
- ❖ Boston College at U of Mass, 0530(L)
- ❖ Kentucky at North Carolina, 0730(L)
- ❖ Xavier at Cincinnati, 0930(L)
- ❖ Target World Challenge, 1230(L)
- ❖ Illinois at Arkansas, 1630(L)
- ❖ Arizona at San Diego State, 1830(L)
- ❖ Indianapolis Colts at Tennessee Titans (live), 2230(L), AFN-Pacific/Korea
- ❖ Buffalo Bills at New England Patriots (live), 2230(L)
- ❖ Atlanta Falcons at Tampa Bay Buccaneers (live), 2230(L), AFN-Atlantic

## HIND SIGHT

**1492**

Christopher Columbus landed on the island of Santo Domingo in search of gold.

**1812**

The majority of Napoleon Bonaparte's *Grand Armée* staggered into Vilna, Lithuania, ending the failed Russian campaign.

**1862**

President Abraham Lincoln ordered the hanging of 39 of the 303 convicted Indians who participated in the Sioux Uprising in Minnesota.

**1877**

Thomas A. Edison made the first sound recording when he recited "Mary had a Little Lamb" into his phonograph machine.

**1906**

Lt. Thomas E. Selfridge flew a powered, man-carrying kite that carries him 168 feet in the air for seven minutes at Baddeck, Nova Scotia.



By Mark Baker

## Pvt. Murphy's Law

## Kandahar chapel hours

### Sunday

- ❖ 0500Z — Roman Catholic mass
- ❖ 0630Z — Protestant worship
- ❖ 0830Z — Latter-Day Saints worship
- ❖ 1130Z — Roman Catholic mass
- ❖ 1430Z — Gospel service

### Monday

- ❖ 1130Z — Rosary and prayers
- ❖ 1430Z — Gospel choir practice

### Tuesday

- ❖ 1130Z — Orthodox/Catholic Bible study
- ❖ 1430Z — Protestant Bible study

### Wednesday

- ❖ 1130Z — Roman Catholic mass
- ❖ 1430Z — Protestant mid-week service

### Thursday

- ❖ 1430Z — Gospel Bible study

### Friday

- ❖ 0830Z — Islamic Jumaa'h prayer
- ❖ 1130Z — Orthodox Christian hymn service
- ❖ 1430Z — Jewish prayer

### Saturday

- ❖ 0530Z — Seventh-Day Adventist worship
- ❖ 1130Z — Orthodox Christian Divine Liturgy
- ❖ 1430Z — Gospel Choir practice

## Bagram chapel hours

### Sunday

- ❖ 0500Z — Roman Catholic mass
- ❖ 0630Z — Protestant worship
- ❖ 0830Z — Latter-Day Saints worship
- ❖ 1430Z — Gospel service

### Monday

- ❖ 0700Z — Rosary and prayers

### Tuesday

- ❖ 0700Z — Rosary and prayers
- ❖ 1430Z — Protestant Bible study

### Wednesday

- ❖ 0700Z — Roman Catholic mass
- ❖ 1430Z — Protestant mid-week service

### Thursday

- ❖ 0700Z — Rosary and prayers
- ❖ 1430Z — Gospel Bible study

### Friday

- ❖ 0700Z — Rosary and prayers
- ❖ 0830Z — Islamic Jumaa'h prayer
- ❖ 1130Z — Orthodox Christian hymn service
- ❖ 1430Z — Jewish prayer

### Saturday

- ❖ 0530Z — Seventh-Day Adventist worship
- ❖ 1130Z — Orthodox Christian Divine Liturgy
- ❖ 1430Z — Gospel Choir practice
- ❖ 1500Z — Rosary and prayers

## K2 chapel hours

### Sunday

- ❖ 0330Z — Liturgical service
- ❖ 0430Z, 1200Z — General protestant service
- ❖ 0600Z — Roman Catholic Mass
- ❖ 1300Z — Latter Day Saints

### Monday

- ❖ 0430Z — Devotions and prayer
- ❖ 1245Z — Catholic Rosary and Mass

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- ❖ 0430Z — Devotions and prayer
- ❖ 1245Z — Catholic Rosary and Mass
- ❖ 1430Z — Bible study

### Wednesday

- ❖ 0430Z — Devotions and prayer
- ❖ 1245Z — Catholic Rosary and Mass
- ❖ 1430Z — Midweek Praise service

### Thursday

- ❖ 0430Z — Devotions and prayer
- ❖ 1245Z — Catholic Rosary and Mass

### Friday

- ❖ 0430Z — Devotions and prayer
- ❖ 1245Z — Catholic Rosary and Mass
- ❖ 1430Z — Bible study

### Saturday

- ❖ 0430Z — Devotions and prayer
- ❖ 1200Z — Roman Catholic Mass

## CJCMOTF chapel hours

### Sunday

- ❖ 0630Z — Nondenominational service

### Tuesday













- ❖ 1430Z — Catholic service (every other Tuesday)

### Wednesday

- ❖ 1430Z — Bible study



# Regional Weather

	Bagram	K2	Kabul	KAF
Today	 Hi—45F Lo—19F	 Hi—35F Lo—5F	 Hi—50F Lo—19F	 Hi—45F Lo—21F
Saturday	 Hi—46F Lo—23F	 Hi—41F Lo—7F	 Hi—48F Lo—23F	 Hi—43F Lo—21F
Sunday	 Hi—52F Lo—23F	 Hi—45F Lo—13F	 Hi—48F Lo—27F	 Hi—43F Lo—32F

## KMTC chapel hours

### Sunday

- ❖ 0430Z — Protestant Service
- ❖ 0530Z — Roman Catholic Mass/Eucharist
- ❖ 0630Z — Latter Day Saints
- ❖ 1630Z — Protestant Service

### Wednesday

- ❖ 1430Z — Bible Study

### Friday

- ❖ 1530Z — Thank God It's Friday fellowship and singing

All events are held in FOB195 Chapel/Conference Room area.